## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. (currently amended) A component, in particular crossmember, for arranging between A-pillars of a motor vehicle, with a metallic basic body (1) which has essentially a tubular form or another elongated form and to which a duct (2), in particular ventilation duct, of plastic (7) is connected at least partially within the profile of the basic body (1), and with a joining part (4) which is connected mechanically to the basic body (1) or to a part connected rigidly thereto and is used for fastening a further component, characterized in that the joining part (4) is connected at a joining point (5) with a cohesive material joint to the basic body (1) or to a part connected rigidly thereto with an intermediate region (12) being formed in order to reduce the heat transfer between the joining part (4) and the plastic (7) of the duct (2) and/or to conduct away a gas produced during the joining.
- 2. (currently amended) The component as claimed in claim  $\underline{1}$ , characterized in that wherein the duct  $\underline{(2)}$  is connected to the basic body  $\underline{(1)}$  by means of plastic injection molding in a strength-transmitting manner.
- 3. (currently amended) The component as claimed in claim 1-or 2, characterized in that wherein the joining point (5) is arranged directly on the basic body (1).
- 4. (currently amended) The component as claimed in claim 3, eharacterized in that wherein in the region provided for the fastening of the joining part (4), the basic body (1) has an embossed structure (6) which is designed in such a manner that the wall of the duct (2), which is otherwise formed from plastic (7), is formed in the intermediate region (12) adjoining the joining point (5) from the material of the basic body (1).
- 5. (currently amended) The component as claimed in claim 4, <del>characterized in that</del> wherein the sum of the embossed depth (p) of the embossed structure <del>(6)</del> and of the wall

thickness (a) of the basic body (1) corresponds at least approximately to the wall thickness (d) of the duct (2).

- 6. (currently amended) The component as claimed in claim 3, eharacterized in that wherein the joining point (5) is formed on a bent-outward part (14) of the basic body (1), which bent-outward part points away from the duct (2).
- 7. (currently amended) The component as claimed in claim 1-or 2, characterized in that wherein the joining point (5) is arranged on an inset part (30) connected rigidly to the basic body (1).
- 8. (currently amended) The component as claimed in one of claims 1 to 7, characterized in that claim 1, wherein on its outer side facing the basic body (1) the duct (2) has a surface structure forming the intermediate region (12).
- 9. (currently amended) The component as claimed in one of claims 1 to 8, eharacterized in that claim 1, wherein the jointing part (4) is connected to the basic body (1) at the joining point (5) by means of a low-heat joining method.